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TRAINING TO WORKERS BY CBWE
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Board for Workers Education (CBWE) imparts training to workers in the techniques of trade unionism and in bringing about consciousness among workers about their rights, duties and responsibilities;

(b) if so, the module adopted for imparting such training;

(c) the number of training camps and the places where these were held during the last two years and the number of workers of different trade unions participated in such training camps;

(d) whether such training has helped in carrying out their activities by the trade unions without disrupting the normal functioning of the organisations; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The modules adopted to provide training include subjects like productivity education, labour economics, social security, informal labour registration, role of workers in the changing global scenario, etc.

(c): During the last two years i.e. from April 2001 to March 2002 and April 2002 to March 2003, the CBWE conducted 7101 training programmes in organized sector for the benefit of 1,81,732 workers of Central Trade Union Organisations & Federations such as BMS, INTUC, AITUC, HMS, HMKP, UTUC, CITU, etc. and also their affiliates. These training programmes were conducted by CBW through Indian Institute of Workers Education, Mumbai, an apex-training institute of the Board and all 49 Regional Directorates spread through out the country. Besides, 8684 training programmes were also conducted for 3,38,485 workers in the unorganised/rural sector.

(d) & (e): Yes, Sir. The impact study conducted by CBWE in 1996 revealed that the CBWE training programmes has to a great extent helped the workers to participate effectively in their respective unions. On the basis of feedback received from workers and their unions, the Workers Education Scheme has helped the workers to develop actively both as members and office bearers of their respective unions in various areas concerned with their daily activities connected to union functioning.